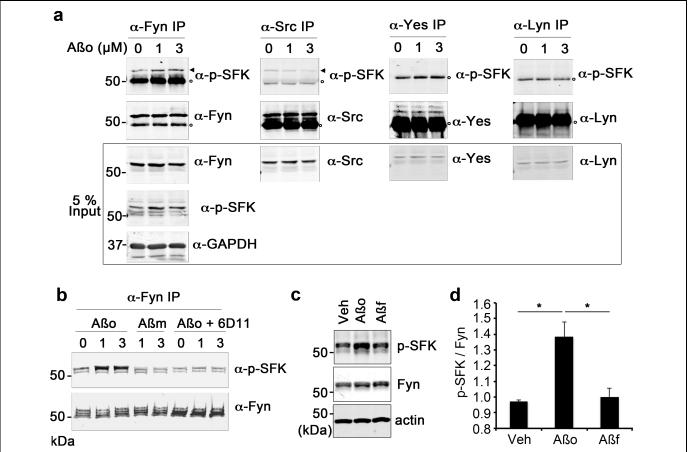
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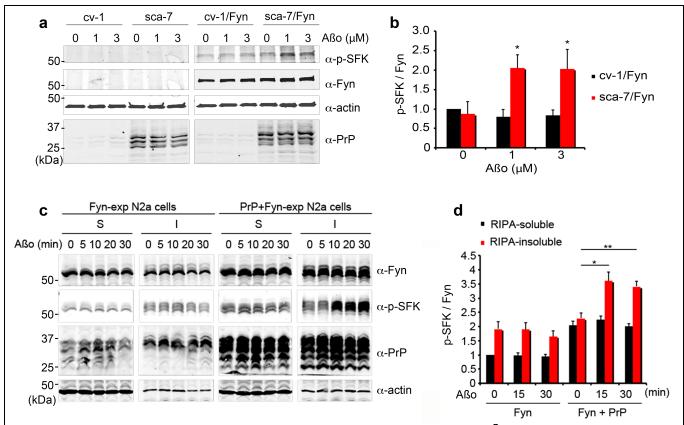
Alzheimer Amyloid-ß Oligomer Bound to Post-Synaptic Prion Protein Activates Fyn to Impair Neurons

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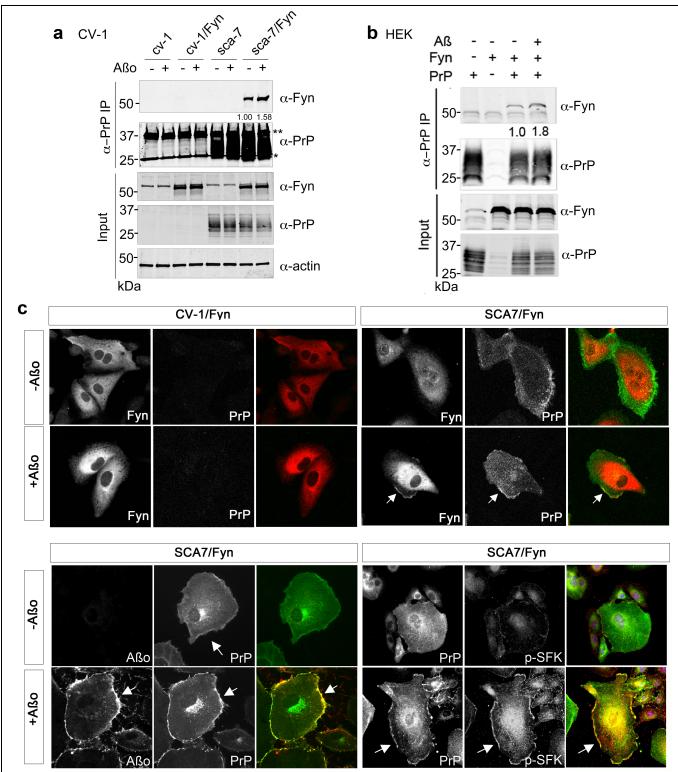
Supplemental Figure S1. Fyn kinase is activated specifically by Aß oligomers.

- a Cultured neurons from E18 wild type rats after 21 DIV were untreated or treated with 1 or 3 μ M A β o for 15 minutes. Immunoprecipitation (IP) was performed with anti-Fyn, anti-SFK, anti-Yes, or anti-Lyn antibody, followed by immunoblotting with anti-phospho-SFK (Tyr 416) antibody. Total cell lysates were immunoblotted with anti-Fyn, anti-Src, anti-Yes, anti-Lyn or anti-phospho-SFK (Tyr416) antibody. GAPDH served as a loading control. Arrowhead indicates phospho-SFK bands. Arrowheads indicate the kinase, and the open circles indicate IgG heavy chains.
- **b** Cultured neurons at DIV21 from E18 wild type rats were treated with 0, 1 or 3 μ M Aßo or Aßm for 15 minutes. Prior to Aßo exposure, the indicated cultures were pre-incubated with 10 μ g/ml of 6D11 antibody for 1 hour. Immunoprecipitation (IP) was performed with anti-Fyn, followed by immunoblotting with anti-phospho-SFK (Tyr416) antibody.
- c Cortical neurons from E17 wild type after 21 DIV were treated with 1 μ M Aßo (Aßo) or Aß fibril (Aßf) for 20 min. Whole cell lysates were analyzed by anti-phospho-SFK (Tyr 416) or anti-Fyn immunoblot. Actin served as a loading control.
- **d** Quantification of phospho-SFK level in the lysates (from c) normalized to Fyn immunoreactivity from three independent experiments. Mean \pm s.e.m. *, P < 0.05; one-way ANOVA, with Tukey post-hoc pairwise comparisons.



Supplemental Figure S2. Fyn kinase is activated by Aβ binding to PrP^c in cell lines.

- **a** CV-1, SCA-7, CV-1/Fyn and SCA-7/Fyn cells were treated with 0-3 μ M oligomeric A β (A β o, monomer equivalents) for 15 minutes, and cell lysates were analyzed by immunoblot with anti-phospho-SFK (Tyr 416), anti-Fyn, or anti-PrP^C antibody. Actin served as a loading control.
- **b** Quantification of phospho-SFK level in the lysate normalized to Fyn immunoreactivity from three independent experiments. Data are mean + s.e.m. *, P < 0.05, Student's two-tailed t test.
- **c** After N2a cells were transfected with Fyn alone or together with PrP^{C} , cells were untreated or treated with 1 μ M A β o for 5, 10, 20 or 30 minutes. Cell lysates were fractionated into RIPA-soluble fraction (S) and RIPA-insoluble fraction (I). Each fraction was analyzed by immunoblotting with anti-Fyn, anti-phospho-SFK (Tyr 416) or anti-PrP^C antibody. Actin served as a loading control.
- **d** Quantification of phosphor-SFK level in the lysate normalized to Fyn immunoreactivity from 4 independent same experiments as c.



Supplemental Figure S3. Aßo induce PrP^c/Fyn Association and Co-Localization.

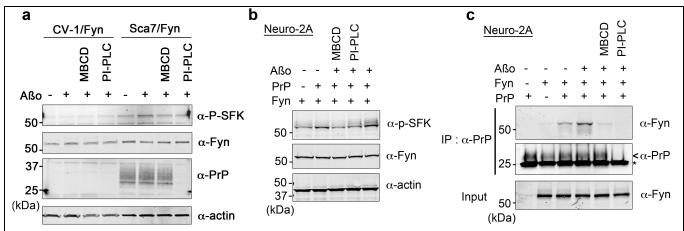
a CV-1, CV-1/Fyn, SCA-7 and SCA-7/Fyn cells were treated with 0 or 1 μ M A β o for 1.5 hours, and immunoprecipitation (IP) was performed with anti-PrP^C antibody. Whole lysates and anti-PrP^C immunoprecipitates were immunoblotted with anti-Fyn or anti-PrP^C antibody. The values at the bottom of the top panel indicate the relative quantities of Fyn bands. Actin served as a loading control. The asterix are non-specific bands from the immunoprecipitation.

b After HEK293 cells were transfected with PrP^c and Fyn, cells were treated with 0 or 1 μM Aßo for 1.5

hours. Immunoprecipitation (IP) was performed with anti-PrP antibody, and then whole lysates and anti-PrP^C immunoprecipitates were immunoblotted with anti-Fyn or anti- PrP^C antibody. The values at the bottom of the top panel indicate the relative quantities of Fyn bands.

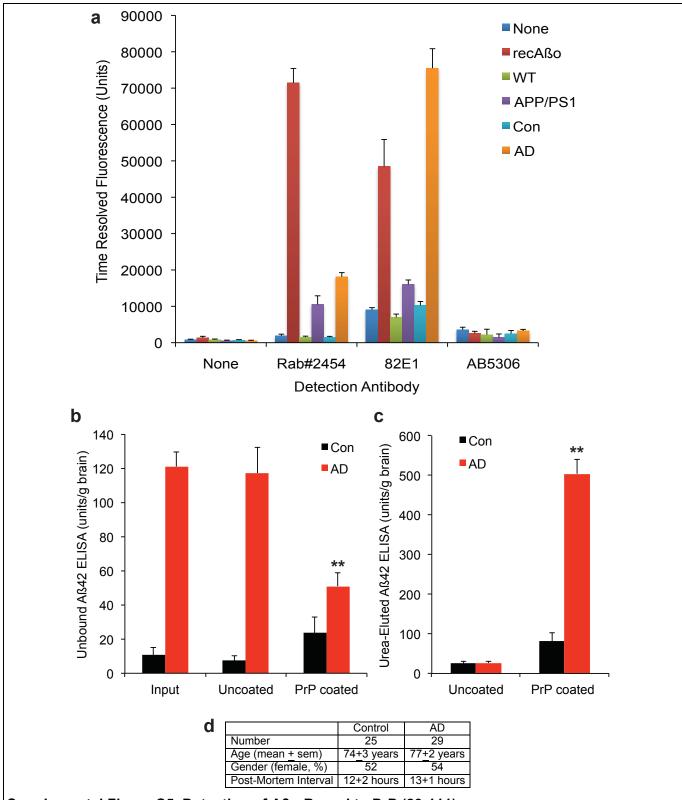
c CV-1/Fyn (upper left set) and SCA-7/Fyn cells (upper right set) were treated with 0-1 μ M A β o for 15 minutes, and labeled with mouse anti-PrP^C on ice and then fixed, permeablilized and labeled with rabbit anti-Fyn antibodies. Immunostained preparations were examined using laser scanning confocal microscope. Note colocalization in ruffles indicated by arrowheads.

In the lower set of panels, SCA-7/Fyn cells were treated with 0-1 μ M biotinylated A β o (lower left set) or non-biotinylated A β o (lower right set) and then fixed, permeablilized and labeled with mouse anti-PrP^C and streptavidin covalently attached with Alexa Fluor 568 (lower left) or with mouse anti-PrP^C (3F4 clone) and rabbit anti-phospho-SFK (Tyr 416) antibodies (lower right). Immunostained preparations were examined using epifluorescent microscopy.



Supplemental Figure S4. Aßo Activation of PrP/Fyn Requires Lipid Rafts and GPI Anchorage in Cell Lines.

- **a** CV-1/Fyn or SCA7/Fyn cells were treated with 0 or 1 μ M Aßo for 20 min. Prior to Aßo exposure, the indicated cultures were pre-treated with 5 mg/ml MBCD for 1 hour or 0.1 unit of PI-PLC for 10 min. Cell lysates were analyzed by immunoblot with anti-phospho-SFK (Tyr 416), anti-Fyn, or anti-PrP^C antibody. Actin served as a loading control.
- **b** After N2a cells were transfected with PrP^{C} and Fyn, cells were treated with 0 or 1 μ M Aßo for 20 min. Prior to Aßo exposure, the indicated cultures were pre-treated with 5 mg/ml MBCD for 1 hour or 0.1 unit of PI-PLC for 10 min. Cell lysates were analyzed by immunoblotting with anti-phospho-SFK (Tyr 416) or anti-Fyn antibodies. Actin served as a loading control.
- **c** After N2a cells were transfected with PrP^{C} and Fyn, cells were treated with 0 or 1 μ M Aßo for 1.5 hours. Prior to Aßo exposure, the indicated subcultures were pre-treated with 5 mg/ml methyl-ß-cyclodextrin (MBCD) for 1 hour or 0.1 unit of PI-PLC for 10 min. IP was performed with anti-PrP antibody, and then anti- PrP^{C} immunoprecipitates were immunoblotted with anti-Fyn or anti- PrP^{C} antibody. The asterick indicates IgG light chain and the arrowhead, PrP^{C} .

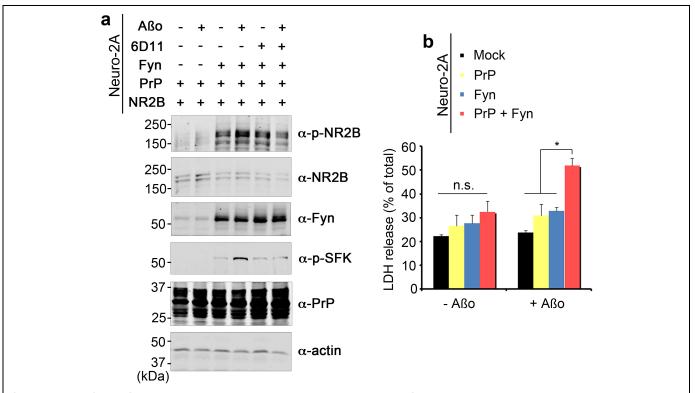


Supplemental Figure S5. Detection of Aßo Bound to PrP (23-111).

a Different samples containing Aß species were incubated with immobilized PrP(23-111). Samples: pure Aßo (recAßo, 1 ng), wild type mouse brain (WT, 10 μ g total protein), APPswe/PS1 Δ E9 mouse brain (APP/PS1, 10 μ g protein), control human TBS brain extract (Con, 50 μ g protein) or AD human TBS brain extract (AD, 50 μ g protein). Bound Aß was detected by time-resolved fluorescence derived

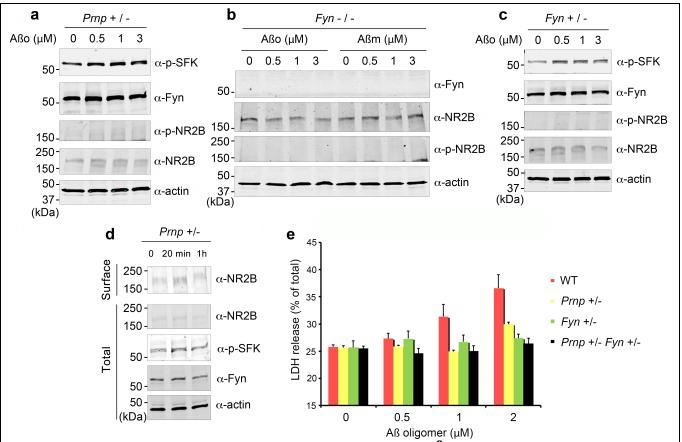
from anti-Aß antibody and europium-tagged secondary reagents, using the indicated primary antibodies. Mean \pm s.e.m. for 3 replicates.

- **b** Total A&42 immunoreactivity in TBS-Soluble extracts pooled from 4 Control or 4 AD Brain specimens was assessed by standard sandwich A&42 ELISA assay. The brain extract was assayed before (Input) and after incubation with microtiter wells coated with or without PrP(23-111), as indicated. The level of A&42 immunoreactivity after incubation with PrP-coated wells is decreased (P<0.01, ANOVA) relative to the Input or incubation with control non-PrP wells. Mean \pm sem from n=4 replicates.
- **c** Uncoated or PrP-coated wells previously exposed to AD or Control brain TBS-soluble extracts were eluted with 10 M Urea, and the eluted material was assayed for A&42 immunoreactivity. Greater immunoreactivity is eluted from PrP-coated wells exposed to AD extract (P<0.01, ANOVA) relative to other conditions. Mean + sem from n=4 replicates.
- d Characteristics of human brain samples used for assay of PrP-interacting Aß psecies.



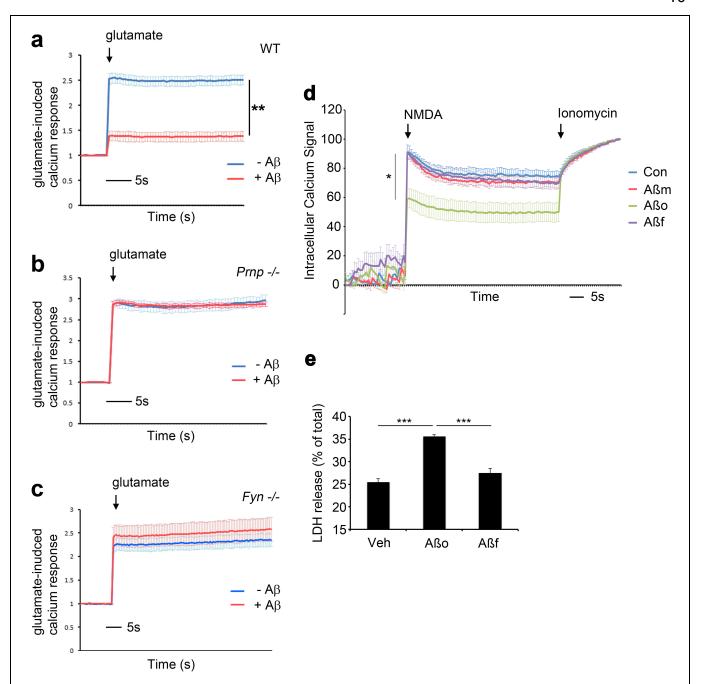
Suppl. Fig. S6. Aßo Phopshorylates NR2B and Produces Cell Toxicity in N2A Neuroblastoma Cells via PrP and Fyn.

- **a** N2A cells were transfected with expression vectors for PrP^C plus NR2B with or without Fyn, and some cultures were then pre-incubated for 1 h with 10 μ g/ml of 6D11 antibody prior to Aß exposure. After treatment of cells with 0 or 1 μ M of Aßo (monomer equivalent, 10 nM estimated oligomer) for 20 min, lysates were subjected to immunoblot with anti-phospho-NR2B (Tyr 1472), anti-NR2B, anti-Fyn, anti-phospho-SFK (Tyr 416) or anti-PrP antibody. Actin served as a loading control.
- **b** N2A cells were transfected with expression vectors for PrP^C, or Fyn, or both, and then treated 48 hours later with 0 or 1 μ M A β o for 1.5 h. Cell toxicity was determined by LDH release. Data are mean \pm s.e.m. *, P < 0.05; one-way ANOVA, with Tukey post-hoc pairwise comparisons.



Supplemental Figure S7. Gene Dosage Dependent Role of PrP^c and Fyn in Aßo Signaling.

- **a** Cortical neurons from E17 $Prnp^{+/-}$ after 21 DIV were treated with 0-3 μ M A β o for 20 min. Cell lysates were analyzed by immunoblotting with anti-phospho-SFK (Tyr 416), anti-Fyn, anti-phospho-NR2B (Tyr 1472) or anti-NR2B antibody. Actin served as a loading control. One of three experiments with similar results in panels A-D.
- **b** Cortical neurons from E17 $Fyn^{-/-}$ after 21 DIV were treated with 0-3 μ M A β o or A β m for 20 min. Cell lysates were analyzed by immunoblotting anti-Fyn, anti-phospho-NR2B (Tyr 1472), or anti-NR2B antibody. Actin served as a loading control.
- **c** Cortical neurons from E17 $Fyn^{+/-}$ after 21 DIV were treated with 0-3 μ M A β o or A β m for 20 min. Cell lysates were analyzed by immunoblotting with anti-phospho-SFK (Tyr 416), anti-Fyn, anti-phospho-NR2B (Tyr 1472) or anti-NR2B antibody. Actin served as a loading control.
- **d** Cortical neurons from E17 $Prnp^{+/-}$ after 21 DIV were treated with 0 or 1 μ M A β o for 20 min or 1 h. Cell surface proteins were biotinylated and purified by using NeutrAvidin-conjugated beads. Purified cell surface proteins were immunoblotted for NR2B, and total cell lysates were immunoblotted for NR2B, phospho-SFK, Fyn or Actin.
- **e** After cortical neurons at 21 DIV from wild type, $Prnp^{+/-}$, $Fyn^{+/-}$, or $Prnp^{+/-}Fyn^{+/-}$ mice were treated with 0-2 μM Aβo for 1.5 h, cell death was determined by LDH release. Data are mean and s.e.m. for n = 15-25 wells from 3 separate embryos for each genotype.

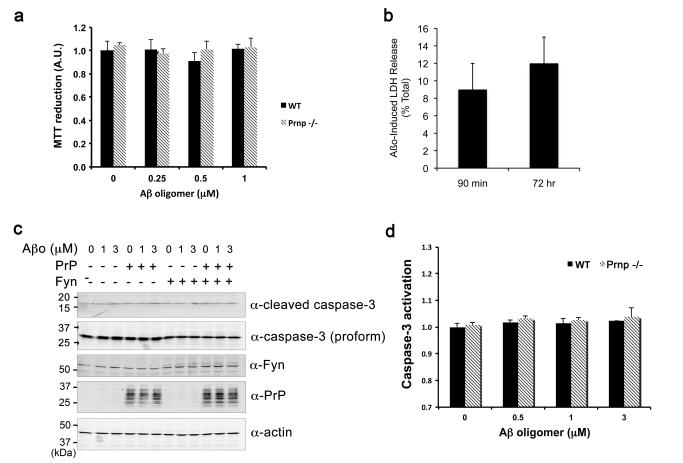


Supplemental Figure S8. Specificity of Aß effects on neuronal calcium signals and toxicity.

a-c Cortical neurons from wild type (a), $Prnp^{-/-}$ (b) or $Fyn^{-/-}$ (c) were treated with 0 or 1 μM Aβo for 60 min. The change of intracellular calcium concentration in response to glutamate (100 μM) was monitored by using FLIPR Calcium 4 assay kit. Mean ± s.e.m. For each genotype, n = 15 separate wells derived from 3 mouse embryos. **, P < 0.01 by Repeated Measures ANOVA for 1-20 seconds after glutamate addition. Data are normalized to pre-glutamate fluorescence; the pre-glutamate values without normalization for WT Aßo 60 min, $Prnp^{-/-}$ Aßo 60 min and $Fyn^{-/-}$ Aßo 60 min are 1.33±0.17, 1.05+0.04, and 1.11+0.08, respectively.

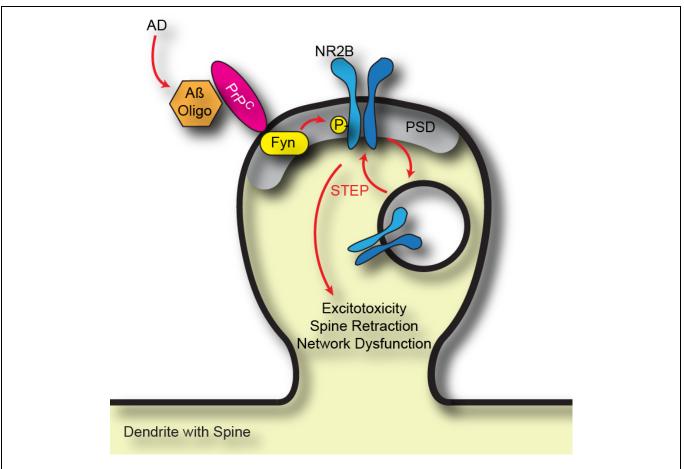
d Cortical neurons from wild type were treated with 1 μ M Aß oligomer (Aßo), Aß monomer (Aßm) or Aß fibril (Aßf) for 60 min. The change of intracellular calcium concentration in response to NMDA (50 μ M) or ionomycin (500 nM) was monitored by using FLIPR Calcium 4 assay kit. Mean \pm s.e.m. n = 24 separate wells derived from 3 mouse embryos. **, P < 0.01 by Repeated Measures ANOVA for 1-20 seconds after NMDA addition.

e Cortical neurons at 21 DIV from wild type were treated with 1 μ M A β o or A β f for 2 h, prior to measurement of LDH release. Data are mean \pm s.e.m. ***, P < 0.001; one-way ANOVA, with Tukey post-hoc pairwise comparisons.



Supplemental Figure S9. Assays of Aßo cell toxicity.

- **a,** Cortical neurons from wild type or $Prnp^{-/-}$ mouse embryos were treated with 0-1 μ M A β o for 90 min. Cell viability was determined by the MTT dye reduction assay as described in Experimental Procedures. Data are mean + s.e.m. for n = 3 separate experiments.
- **b** Wild type cortical neurons were treated with vehicle or 1-3 μ M A β o for 90 min or 72 h. LDH release was measured as in Fig. 6H-J. Mean \pm s.e.m. for n = 3 separate experiments.
- **c** N2A cells were transfected with expression vectors for Fyn or PrP. After treatment of cells with 0 -3 μ M A β o for 90 min, cell lysates were analyzed by anti-PrP, anti-Fyn, anti-caspase 3, anti-cleaved caspase 3. Actin served as a loading control.
- **d** Cortical neurons from wild type or $Prnp^{-/-}$ mouse embryos were treated with 0-3 μ M A β o for 90 min. Caspase-3 activation was measured by hydrolysis of the fluorogenic substrate, DEVD-AMC. Data are mean and s.e.m. for n = 3 separate experiments.



Supplemental Figure S10. Aß Oligomer Actions via PrP^c at the Synapse.

A model illustrates the dendritic spine and the post-synaptic density. Aß oligomers bind to PrP^C and cause Fyn activation and NMDA-R redistribution. The biphasic activation effect initially increases surface NMDA-R and calcium influx, but is followed by loss of spines and surface NMDA-R and calcium signals.